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Plans to Have It Follow Dam

Site Measure in the

Senate.

Senator Tillman of South Carolina, chairman of the naval affairs committee, in a brief speech in the Senate today urged the early consideration of his government armor-plate factory bill, and gave notice he would move to take the bill up as soon as the Shields dam site bill has been disposed of.

"During my twenty-one years of service here I have learned a good many things about the Senate and its methods of doing business," said Senator Tillman. "When it wants to do a thing it can do business as rapidly and with as much celerity as any legislative body in the world; but it can also practice the game of 'how not to do it' with more skill than any other body in the world—at least, any I have known of or read about."

Big Problem on Hand.

"I have never known a legislative program of as great magnitude and importance as we have on hand right now. The two subjects of increasing the navy and army are both vital; and while it will take some time for these bills to be prepared, there are bills already on the calendar relating to the subject of preparedness that should be passed, and passed promptly. I am responsible for one of these, as chairman of the committee on naval affairs, and it is my duty to call attention to that bill and try to press it through the Senate as soon as possible."

It ought to have passed the Senate four or five days ago, but the time has been consumed with discussing the water power bill—a bill of great importance, I acknowledge. But that bill could have better waited. Unless the government armor plant is authorized at once, a great deal of money will be lost. I do not see any hope from the progress we are making of our getting through the legislative program before October, if then.

Hard to Keep Quorum.

"Senators who have tried it know how difficult it is to maintain a quorum in Washington during warm weather. Senators who are interested in their reelection are necessarily absent a good part of the time, and no mere politician objects to it. But I think the constituents of a senator would be surprised to hear that he thinks more about his reelection than he does about his public duties and vote accordingly."

"I give notice now that I shall move to take up the armor plant bill as soon as the water power bill is out of the way, and I shall try to get it passed as early as possible. If the senators who expect to vote for it will help me maintain a quorum, it is my duty to pass it through the Senate in three or four days at most."

FAVORS SOME PLAN FOR**SELF-GOVERNMENT HERE**

Representative Green Addresses the

Iowa Society at Meeting.

Other Speakers.

Addressing the Iowa Society of Washington at a meeting of that organization held at the Raleigh Hotel last night, Representative William R. Green of Iowa placed himself on record as favoring "some workable plan which would give the residents of the District the right of local self-government." He based his attitude on this question on the ground that Congress has neither the time nor sufficient knowledge of details involved to warrant their control of District affairs.

Judge Green's address was for the greater part a neighborly talk about such matters as crops, the wealth of Iowa in material and personal excellence.

Memorial to Late W. P. Hepburn.

The meeting was attended by many prominent Iowans, including Representative Horace M. Towner, who introduced a resolution memorializing the late William Peters Hepburn, a former representative from Iowa, who died recently. The resolution was drawn up by Senator Towner, Representative Towner and Raymond Loring. Other numbers on the program were a solo by Mrs. Nellie Plumley, accompanied by Mrs. Charles S. Hyer, a reading by Miss Harriett Dyer and a solo by Miss Mae Whittaker.

Others who spoke were Walter J. Abrams, Limas Roulhac, B. M. McKay, Dr. Marshall, Rev. H. H. Thompson, Rev. Robert Harrison, J. E. Collins, S. H. Rose and Jabez Lee.

The Excelsior Republican Club of the seventh district, meeting last evening at 1713 R street northwest, endorsed Messrs. Bradshaw and Marshall for delegates and Messrs. King and Early for alternates, and B. M. McKay, manager of the Bradshaw-Marshall campaign, for the presidency of the District of Columbia Republican League. Officers elected by the Excelsior Club last night were: Jabez Lee, president, and Thomas Minor, secretary.

MANY EXPORTS FROM U. S.**SHOW GREAT INCREASES**

Department of Commerce Shows

Several Branches of Trade Profit

by Present Prosperity.

Products used in connection with the war show an enormous increase in December, 1915, compared with the same month of the preceding year, according to figures made public today by the Department of Commerce. The statement issued by the department in connection with the figures says that nearly all classes of articles are now showing in the phenomenal export trade progress. Even lumber, agricultural implements and naval stores, which were badly hit by the war for many months, now are picking up.

The figures show that the exports of agricultural implements declined from \$3,000,000 in December, 1914, to \$1,800,000 in the same month in 1915; lumber increased during the same period from \$2,000,000 to \$4,000,000. The more remarkable increases noted for comparison are: Iron and steel manufactures rose from \$14,900,000 to \$45,800,000; copper and manufactures of copper from \$7,100,000 to \$18,100,000; brass and manufactures of brass increased tenfold, from \$900,000 to \$9,000,000, and meats doubled \$12,700,000 to \$25,400,000.

Night Schools May Close in March.

Public night schools probably will have to be closed before the end of March on account of lack of funds. They are usually closed about that time each year.

RAILWAY WORKERS**PRESENT DEMANDS**

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Immediately prior to such instruction. Two or more coupled cars require one motorman, but a conductor on each car. In the assignment of runs, the agreement specifies, men shall be given the privilege of choosing same in accordance with their seniority rights and based on their continuous age in the service. Where men are asked to report for snow-plow or sand-car work they shall be paid from the time of reporting until relieved of such duty. All men discharged unjustly since February 13, 1916, shall be reinstated to their former positions. The agreement is proposed to be in force and binding on both parties for one year from date of signature.

The committee sent to the Capital Traction Company was composed of Lull P. Morris, Robert M. Mallon and A. P. Sweeney. That submitting the agreement to the Washington Railway and Electric Company was composed of William B. Meade, George A. Wilbur, Charles T. Lewis and Frank Diggins. It is expected that the two companies will make known their answers in a few days.

Men Optimistic of Outcome.

"The men are so certain that they are right that they have no qualms as to the outcome of the matter," was the way one of the committeemen put it this afternoon. "If the companies contend that they will be unable to grant the points asked and yet fulfill the requirements of the public utilities commission," said Mr. Orr, "we will inform them that a committee of the new branch will be able to work out in ten hours' time a present plan by which they will be enabled to do both."

Committee members seen at the headquarters of the American Federation of Labor seemed particularly bitter over the schedules that, they say, prevent employees from a proper number of hours of consecutive rest, and their versions of their own individual work hours apparently bore out their contentions. Other matters touched upon by them included the so-called "uniforms" arrangements regarding uniforms and contributions to relief funds. "I have worked for thirty-four consecutive hours on a snow plow," declared one, "and was paid only at the regular rates."

The railway employees of this city have not been organized for a number of years. About ten years ago, it is stated, there was a purely local organization, but it did not last. The international organization now has in force similar agreements with 225 street railway companies, besides some verbal ones to the same general effect. A receipt for membership fee used in secret organization only was employed in the organized organization of the new local branch, and specifies that the initiation fee is \$1.

Statement by President Hamilton.

George E. Hamilton, president of the

Capital Traction Company, this after-

noon gave out the following statement concerning the organization formed by its employees:

Today the committee purporting to represent the employees of the Capital Traction Company presented a paper in the form of a draft of proposed contract between the company and an alleged division No. 639 of the Amalgamated Association of Street and Electric Employees of America, proposing certain changes in rate of pay, hours of service and other matters of operation. "No request or demand of the kind was ever before presented or suggested, and this was the first intimation the company had of any complaint or cause of complaint on the part of its employees, and now it does not know that any of its employees are members of such an organization, nor does it know that the committee referred to was authorized to represent its employees or any number of them."

The company is, and has always been, ready to discuss with its employees any question or condition arising out of their employment desired by them to be considered when coming direct from them as employees.

"We believe that our employees, as a body, are well satisfied with conditions and with their treatment by the company."

No Demand by Employees.

The following statement was issued this afternoon at the office of the Washington Railway and Electric Company, concerning the organization formed by its employees:

"No demand has been made upon the company by any committee of employees. The only information we have received in reference to the amalgamated association is a communication presented today and signed by four men, three of whom are discharged employees, and asking that we confer with so-called officials of a division of the Amalgamated Association in regard to matters concerning which we have had no complaint from any of our employees."

"We have no knowledge as to who constitutes the membership of any local branch of the Amalgamated Association, and the first intimation we had that such an organization existed here is contained in the letter referred to today. Furthermore, we have no knowledge as to who the so-called officials of this local association may be, nor to what extent, if any, it represents employees of this company. We presume, however, its promoters are outsiders who seek to promote discord and dissension among the employees of our transportation department."

"The company has made every effort in the past to promote satisfaction among its employees and has every reason to believe that our men are satisfied with existing conditions."

J. J. Pence Recovering From Illness.

Thomas J. Pence, secretary of the democratic national committee, who has been ill at the Emergency Hospital for two months, has recovered sufficiently to return to his apartments. In a few days he hopes to go to Atlantic City, and his physician, Dr. Cary T. Grayson, expects decided improvement in his condition in a short time.

NEW YORK DEMOCRATS**MEETING AT SYRACUSE**

President Wilson to Be Indorsed and

Former Senator Root

Answered.

SYRACUSE, N. Y., March 1.—The informal democratic state convention, with plans matured for a generous indorsement of President Wilson before final adjournment tonight, was called to order at 12:30 p.m. today by Chairman William Church Osborn of the democratic state committee. Mr. Osborn subsequently was made temporary chairman.

It was decided not to name a committee on permanent organization, but to have former Gov. Martin H. Glynn named from the floor as permanent chairman when the convention met for its second session later in the day.

Glynn to Reply to Root.

Mr. Glynn will then deliver his keynote speech, replying to former Senator Root's criticism of the democratic administration made at the recent republican convention.

The platform containing the Wilson indorsement will be presented and ratified at the adjourned session.

Selected for "Big Four."

Delegates at large tentatively agreed to are United States Senator James A. O'Gorman, Chairman William Church Osborn of the democratic state committee; George J. Meyer of Buffalo, a German-American Wilson supporter, and Samuel Untermyer, a New York attorney. A tentative draft of the platform, which dealt solely with national issues, besides heartily indorsing the Wilson administration, declared for "peace with honor," and advocated preparedness.

Opening Session Brief.

The opening session was brief. As soon as the preliminary work had been cleared up an adjournment was taken at 1:33 until 4:30 p.m. Before adjourning, however, the delegates held caucuses and named representatives from each senatorial district as members of the various committees, and also as honorary vice presidents and honorary secretaries.

Later the committee on delegates went into executive session with the announcement that it would report its nominations for delegates at large at the late afternoon meeting. The slate remained unchanged.

Accused of Threats; Bond Required.

Lawrence Brady of 316 C street northwest was sentenced to give bond

HALTS THE PROCEEDINGS**IN BENNING ROAD CASE**

Court Takes Action Upon the

Request of the District Com-

missioners.

Chief Justice Covington, at the request of the District Commissioners, through Assistant Corporation Counsel Smith, today continued indefinitely the proceedings for the condemnation of land for widening Benning road from 15th and H streets northeast to the Anacostia parkway.

It is understood the Commissioners will amend the highway plan so as to provide for the widening of the road to a uniform width of 110 feet from 15th street to the District line. Owners of land affected by the proposed widening to 110 feet only to the parkway through Attorney W. C. Sullivan, attacked the validity of the proceedings, and after argument the chief justice advised that the proceedings be amended. Mr. Smith for the Commissioners asked leave to continue the proceedings and the jurors summoned to value the land were excused.

The present proceedings will probably be dismissed by the Commissioners and a new case commenced widening the road throughout its length.

MRS. MACFARLAND TO SPEAK.

Work of the McCall Mission to Form

Theme at Meeting.

Mrs. H. B. F. Macfarland, president of the McCall Auxiliary, the local branch of the McCall Mission of France, is to address the regular meeting of the Woman's International Missionary Union Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock at St. Paul's English Lutheran Church.

The work of the McCall mission since the outbreak of the war will form the theme of Mrs. Macfarland's address. The mission is entirely non-ecclesiastical, it is stated, and has met with a sympathetic hearing in France. The stations of the mission have been maintained steadily, and are rendering invaluable service through their chaplains, hospitals, workrooms and soup kitchens.

EARL KITCHENER "CENSURED."

Statement Made in British House of

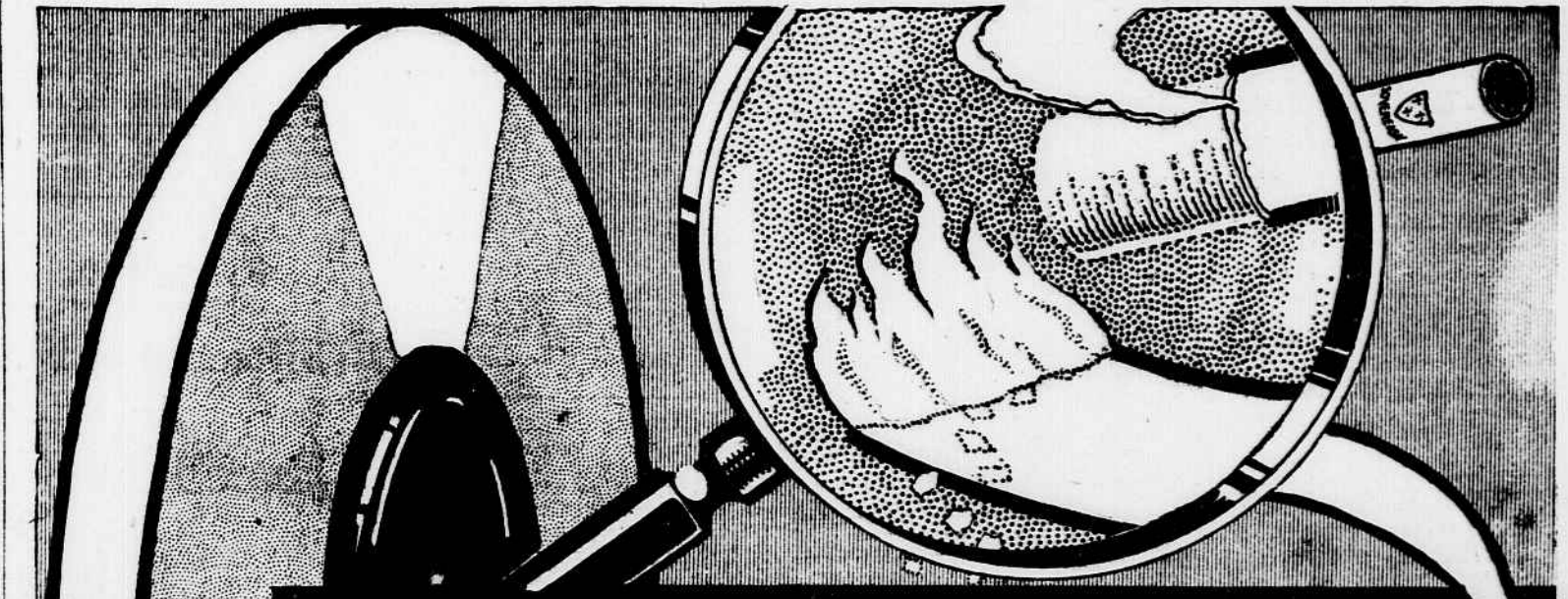
Commons Goes Unanswered.

LONDON, March 1.—In the course of a general discussion yesterday in the house of commons on the conscription fund bill, Arthur Lynch, national member for West Clare, declared that the government had inflicted upon Kitchener severe censure by having taken from him one after another his chief functions, so that the secretary for war was now in a somewhat ignominious position, being little more than a figurehead.

No reply was made to Mr. Lynch's remarks.

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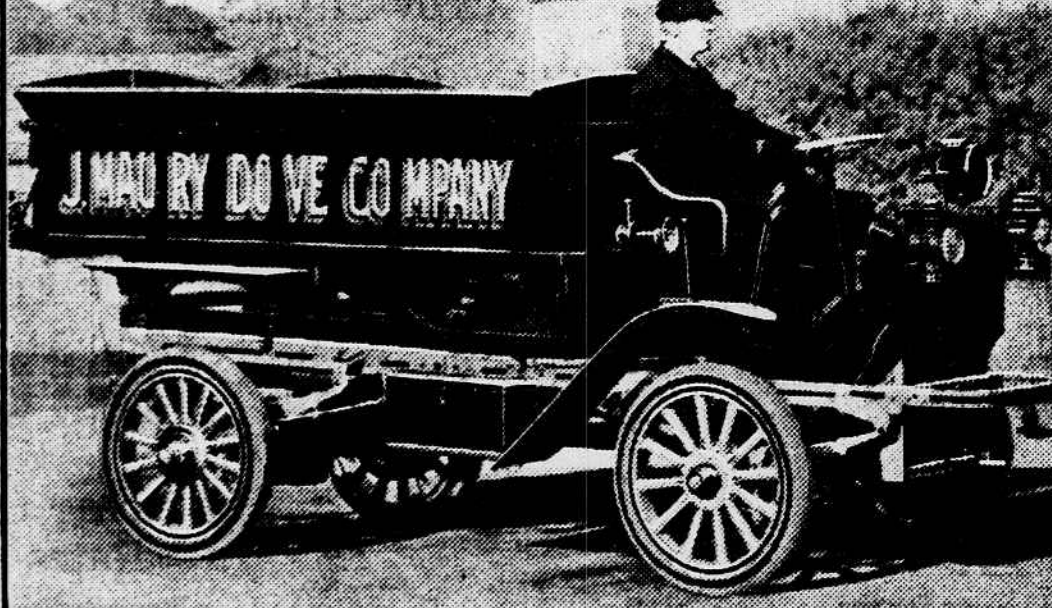
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